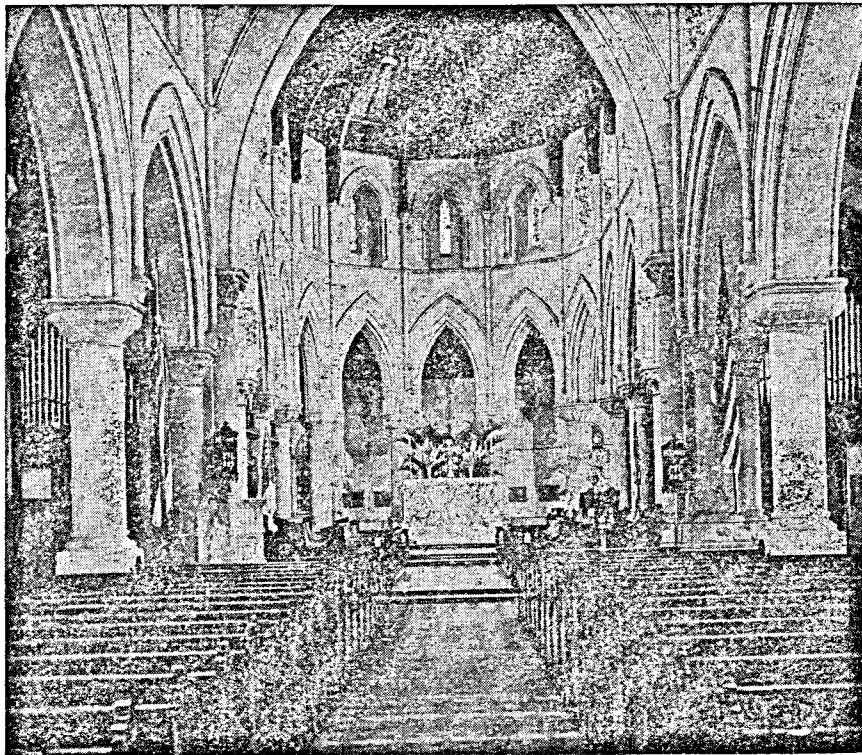


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FORTY-THIRD ANNUAL CONVOCATION—1945

Of great importance to all members of our Church should be the coming Convocation, scheduled to be held January 20th-22nd. It is the earnest hope of your Bishop that every parish should be represented by at least one layman from the other islands and many from the churches in Honolulu. This is your great opportunity to see your church in action, and should be the one time parishes plan to have representatives to take back the news of diocesan affairs to them.

The proposed program for the Convocation is as follows:

Saturday, January 20th—Woman's Auxiliary Sessions

9:00 a.m.—Holy Communion, St. Clement's Church

9:30 a.m.—Business Sessions

7:00 p.m.—Youth Rally, Davies Hall, St. Andrew's Cathedral

Sunday, January 21st—Services Honolulu Churches

5:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.—Tea at Bishop's House for all visitors and delegates

7:00 p.m.—Opening Service, St. Andrew's Cathedral
All clergy in procession, wearing tippets.
Lay Readers in procession
Bishop's Annual Address

8:30 p.m.—Congregation remain in Cathedral after service. Convention called to order—committees appointed, reports of Departments of Bishop and Council

Monday, January 22nd—

8:00 a.m.—Holy Communion. All delegates and clergy expected to be in attendance.

8:30 a.m.—Breakfast for delegates and clergy

9:30 a.m.—Convention reassembles

Roll Call—Business sessions

12:30 p.m.—Luncheon

6:30 p.m.—Diocesan Dinner—place to be announced. Tickets for sale—special guest speakers

Tuesday, January 23rd—Clergy Conference

8:00 a.m.—Holy Communion

8:30 a.m.—Breakfast

9:30 a.m.—Conference

THE BISHOP'S NEW YEAR MESSAGE

Is it a New Year or simply another year? That all depends. According to the calendar it is a New Year with a new date and a new cycle of months ahead of us. It is natural that we should look forward to 1945 with high hope and eager expectation.

But to welcome a New Year does not mean that it is to be a different year. Changes in the calendar do not necessarily mean changes in character. We may be no better in 1945 than we were this, and if this is so, the New Year will be just like past years, with its ill will, selfishness and dishonesty, which are raising havoc with our world.

As we draw the balance sheet of life from year to year, we might ask what is its gain or loss? How does our account in health, friends, influence, character, honor and money look to us and to each other? If we "have gained the whole world and lost our soul" the balance is on the wrong side of the ledger.

How many duties this New Year brings! Back of the determination of our government to take a firm stand in the great struggle for freedom and justice is the watchword, "Expansion". For America it does not mean the desire to acquire new territory, but rather new responsibilities, new duties, new opportunities for overcoming that which is base, cruel and wrong.

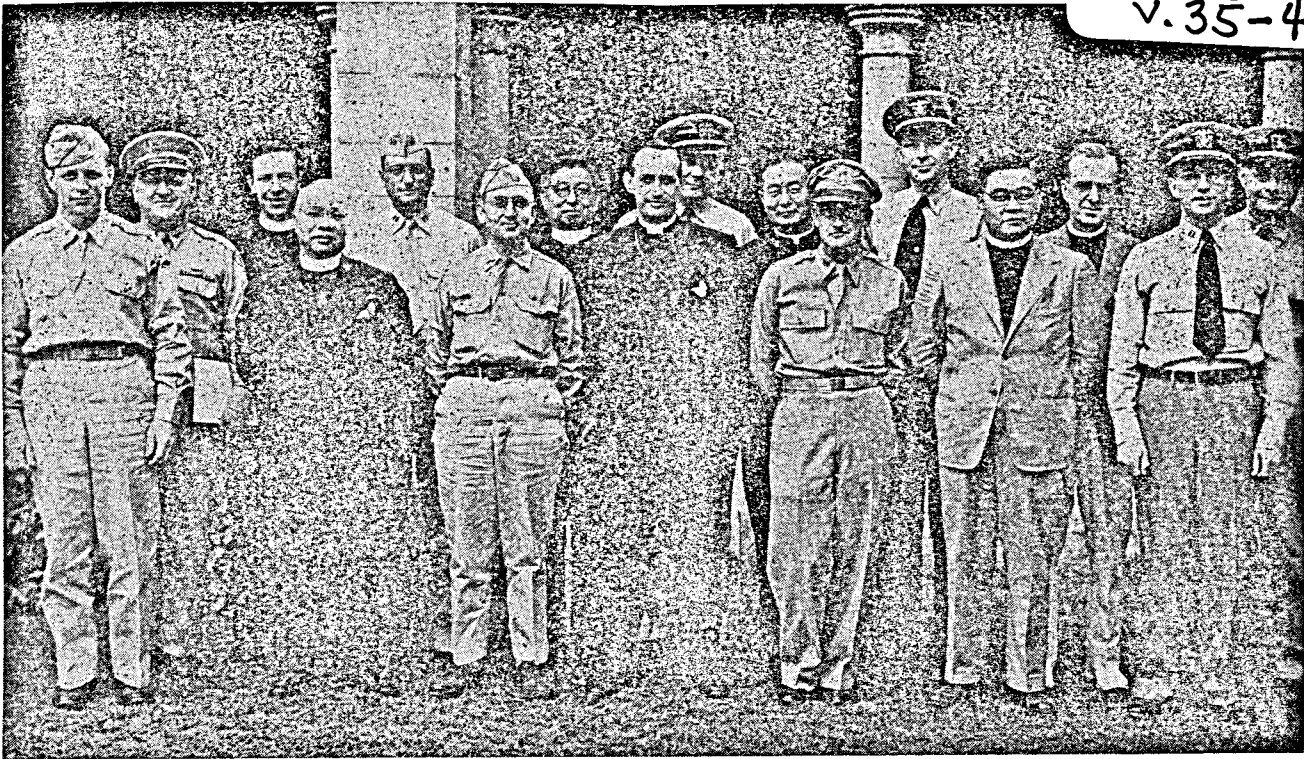
Should not the Christian Church take up the cry which the government has issued? Should not we strive for Expansion in the parish, in service, in worship and prayer? Surely we are not doing our full duty if we do not spread the helpful influences of the Church to the needy, the depressed and the unchurched and share with our Nation the glory and strength of the Christian religion in uplifting the oppressed and keeping intact the democratic way of life.

Flippant and irreverent people turn the New Year into jesting. But to the true Christian it is a time for testing and making good proof of one's trusteeship in life. The Christian translates time into opportunities and not so many hours on the clock.

We often speak of "killing time" but we don't kill it at all; we simply kill our own, or somebody's chances and opportunities. We may be killing a chance to help in some small way to bring peace; or to know the saving power of Christ; or an opportunity for education or likelihood. We may be losing an opportunity to surround those in the service of our nation with prayer for God's protecting care.

Time rolls relentlessly on and we cannot hasten or retard or kill it. Surely we can learn from the newness of New Year's Day that every day is equally new in its opportunities. Remember, Jesus said, "Behold, I make all things new."

May our prayer for the New Year be that God will lead us at this critical time. That God may



CLERGY CONFERENCE AND RETREAT

Attending the Chaplain and Clergy Conference at St. Andrew's Cathedral, December 19th, were the following: Back row—Chaplain Gordon Reese, the Rev. Arthur Roberts, Captain Clifford Morehouse, the Rev. Y. Sang Mark, Chaplain Early Poindexter, the Rev. Noah K. Cho, Chaplain Curtis Junker, the Rev. E. Tanner Brown, Chaplain Gilbert Appelhof; front row—Chaplain Joseph Kellerman, the Rev. Wai On Shim, Chaplain Francis Read, the Bishop, Chaplain John Letherman, the Rev. Lawrence Ozaki, Chaplain Malcolm Eckel.

guide the leaders of our nation to make right decisions and give Christian leadership. That God will strengthen and protect all those in the service of our country and receive the souls of those who lay down their lives, and comfort the anxious and bereaved. Pray that we may seek always, not that God may be on our side, but that we may be on His side, so that the final victory may be His.

CHURCH CALENDAR

January 1—New Year's Day—Feast of the Circumcision

6—Epiphany

7—First Sunday after Epiphany

14—Second Sunday after Epiphany

21—Third Sunday after Epiphany—

FORTY-THIRD ANNUAL CONVOCATION

22—Annual Convocation Conferences, Diocesan dinner at night

23—Clergy Conference

25—Conversion of St. Paul

28—Septuagesima

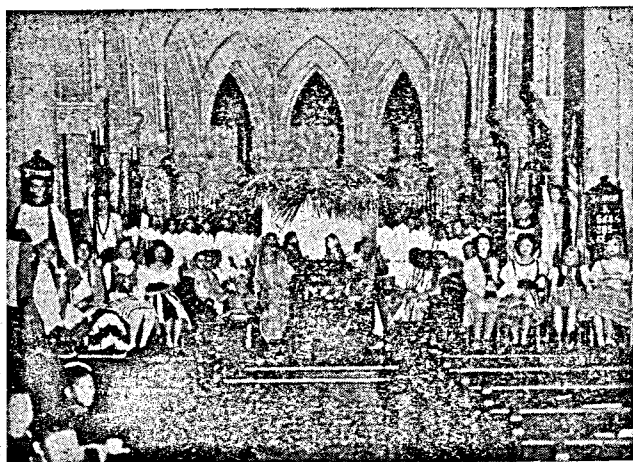
Nobility is the laurel wreath wherewith men are crowned by Time.—Bacon

NEW RECTOR CALLED TO CATHEDRAL

The Reverend Anson Phelps, Jr., former rector of Trinity Church, Columbus, Ohio, is to come to the Cathedral as rector of St. Andrew's Parish. He will probably arrive in March.

The Reverend Mr. Stokes is widely known in the life of our Church and will be a great contribution to the District and community of Honolulu. It is with rejoicing that we look forward to his arrival. He will bring his wife with him.

He comes to the Cathedral with the finest of recommendations from the Presiding Bishop, National Council and Bishop Keeler. The Reverend James Thayer Addison of National Council says of him, "He is one of the bright stars among our younger men. He not only has great personal charm but also great vigor and enthusiasm, a very outgoing disposition and manner, and a real missionary spirit." Our Presiding Bishop adds, "They could not get a finer man—there are few, if any positions in the Church for which I would not be prepared to recommend Mr. Stokes." And from Bishop Keeler comes this message, "You are fortunate to get him."



CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD

The Christmas pageant presented at St. Andrew's Cathedral by the Young People's Fellowship of all the churches in Honolulu was "Christmas Around the World." It was beautifully portrayed. They were assisted in the production of the pageant by the USO Victory Club Army Chorus.

TO BECOME BISHOP CO-ADJUTOR OF MICHIGAN

Chaplain Donald B. Aldrich, USNR, and former rector of Ascension Church, New York City, has been elected Bishop Coadjutor of Michigan, and will return to the mainland to prepare for his consecration when released from naval duties. He has won a great place in our hearts in all churches in Honolulu and we shall see him leave with great reluctance, but rejoice for the Diocese of Michigan, for we know that he will make a tremendous contribution not only to the diocese, but to the Church at large when he begins his new work.

CONFIRMATIONS

We have a feeling of great pride in our clergy when we note that this year we have topped any previous one for the number of Confirmations in the Diocese. We end the year with 666 confirmations, the largest previous number being 320. Recent services have been:

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WE SEEM TO GIVE THEM BACK TO THEE, O LORD

Our Church has suffered a great loss in the recent deaths of the following members:

The Reverend Kenneth O. Miller

Members of Christ Church, Kealahou, Hawaii, were grieved at the passing of the Reverend Kenneth O. Miller, who had been their rector since 1937, on December 14th. He had been very ill for many months, but tried to carry on his work as best he could until his complete breakdown. We all join in expressing great sympathy to Mrs. Miller and his daughter, Charlotte. His loss to us will be greatly felt. Bishop Kennedy flew to Kealahou to have charge of the services.

Mr. Frank Lufkin

The loss of Mr. Frank Lufkin to the Church in Wailuku has been a great one. They have been without a rector there for some time, and the interest of such a layman as Mr. Lufkin has left a great dent in its progress. He died on December 2nd at Maui. The Bishop had the service for him in the Church of the Good Shepherd. Our deepest sympathy is extended to Mrs. Lufkin and her family.

Mrs. Benjamin Marx

St. Andrew's Cathedral Parish, as well as the community of Honolulu, has lost a beloved and devoted member in the death of Mrs. Benjamin Marx. Though an invalid for several years, her interest in her Church has been great. Through the early years of her life she played a great part in the growth of this parish, and it is with a deep sense of loss we mark her passing.

*We seem to give them back to Thee, dear Lord,
Who gavest them to us. Yet as Thou didst not
lose them in giving, so we have not lost them by
their return. For what is Thine is ours always,
if we are Thine. And Life is eternal and Love is
immortal, and Death is only the horizon and the
horizon is nothing save the limit of our sight. Lift
us up, Strong Son of God, that we may see more
clearly. Draw us closer to Thyself, that we may
know ourselves nearer to our beloved, who are with
Thee, that where they are and Thou art, we, too,
may be. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

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NEW ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY

Socially-minded Christians the world over will be pleased with the appointment the King of England has just made of Dr. Geoffrey Francis Fisher, at present Bishop of London, to succeed the much lamented William Temple as Archbishop of Canterbury, Primate of All England, and Metropolitan of the Anglican Communion. Dr. Fisher is decidedly an English clergyman of the new school—more interested in the welfare of the common people than in the prestige of the class from which he springs. As such, he can be trusted to carry on the tradition of William Temple, probably the greatest champion of social justice and the cause of the common man that this modern age has yet produced.

The date for Dr. Fisher's enthronement at Canterbury Cathedral has not yet been set. His predecessor, Dr. Temple, was enthroned in the midst of German bombing of that very area. Dr. Fisher's Enthronement must await the "election" by the Convocation of the Church, which has never yet been known to refuse one "appointed" by the King, in consultation with the Prime Minister. A queer way to "elect" Bishops, it would seem to our more democratic American thinking. And yet the system, queer as it is, is highly commended by its fruits. For under it the English Church seems always to get the very best men for its Bishops.

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After his Enthronement, (he had already been consecrated when he became Bishop of London), Dr. Fisher will move from Fulham Palace, London, to Lambeth Palace in the same city. He will not likely, however, confine himself, as his two immediate predecessors have done to two or three small rooms of that Palace. One of those predecessors, Dr. Lang, was not married; the other, Dr. Temple, was married but had no children. Dr. Fisher, on the other hand is married and has six children, all still young.

Before coming to London to succeed Dr. Winnington-Ingram as its Bishop, Dr. Fisher had been three years Chaplain of Marlborough College, three years Select Preacher at Oxford, and eighteen years Headmaster of Repton School—an ancient English Foundation. Seven years before he proceeded to London, he had been consecrated Bishop of Chester, into which ancient Diocese he had introduced many social reforms.

When he steps from Fulham Palace to Lambeth, the 108th Bishop of London will become the 98th Archbishop of Canterbury. The first Bishop of London, whose name was Melitus, was also translated, as far back as the year 619, from London, to become the third Archbishop of Canterbury, after having presided for five years over the Diocese of London. In fact no less than thirteen of Dr. Fisher's predecessors in London have been translated to Canterbury. Two of his predecessors in London Diocese have been "Canonized," or declared by the Church to be "Saints"; four have suffered martyrdom for their faith. As Archbishop of

Canterbury, he will be able to name among his predecessors such men as St. Augustine, who founded the See, A.D. 597; St. Dunston, who was Chancellor of England, as well as Archbishop; St. Anselm, who occupied the See from 1093 to 1114; St. Thomas a Becket, the story of whose murder in his Cathedral is known to every school child; Stephen Langton, who led the movement to force King John to sign the Magna Charta; Thomas Cramner and William Laud, both of whom suffered martyrdom rather than deny the Faith; and last but not least, that great man, William Temple, of the broad and charitable vision, whom we had hoped might sit in the Councils that will decide the Peace after this war, had not God summoned him to greater work elsewhere.

Dr. Cyril Forster Garbett, who recently visited this country, is "Primate of England." When he becomes Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr. Fisher will outrank him as "Primate of All England."

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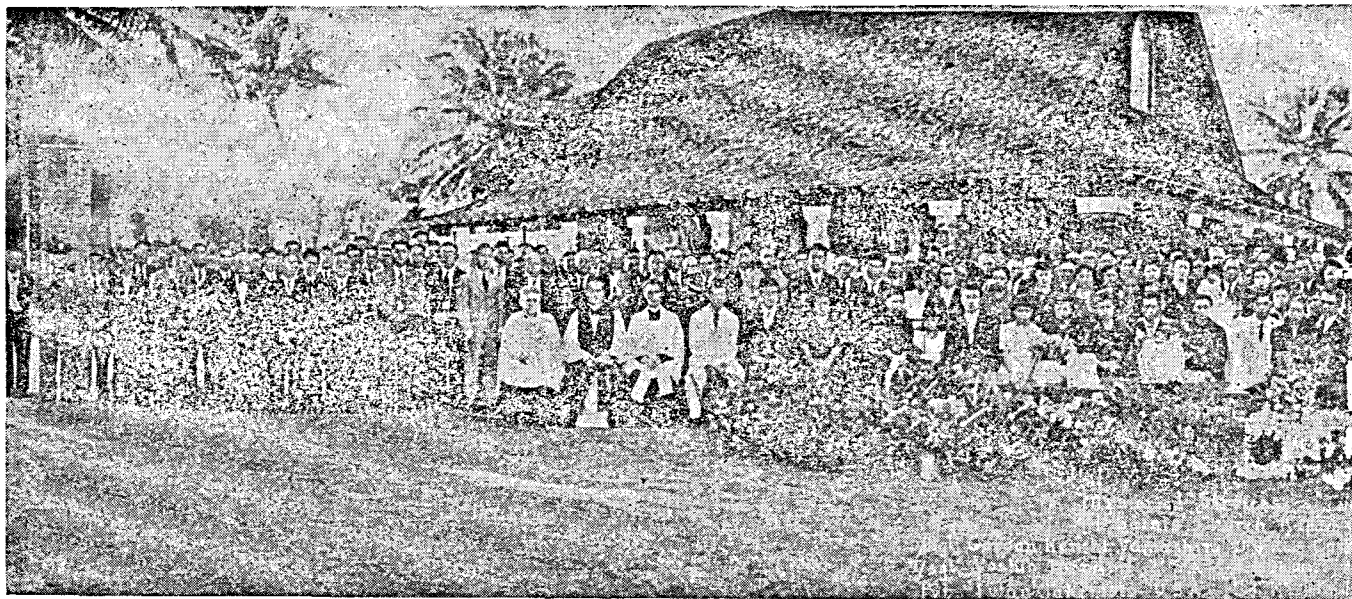
As Bishop of London, Dr. Fisher now has the third seat among the Lords Spiritual in the House of Lords—that second Chamber in the English Parliament, somewhat analogous to our Senate. As Archbishop of Canterbury, he will move to the first seat among all the Lords.

The Archbishop of Canterbury has no jurisdiction in these United States of America. But, as Bishop of the Mother See of English Christendom he presides at all meetings of the Bishops of the whole Anglican Communion. These include the 146 Bishops of the Episcopal Church in the United States. He is, therefore, the Presiding Bishop of Anglican Christendom; and those Christians are reckoned "Anglicans," or "Episcopalians," who are members of the many national Churches in Communion with the Archbishop of Canterbury.

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TRIPLE MEMO

Impressive in its beauty and reverence was the memorial service held at All Saints' Church at 4:00 p. m., on Sunday November 26, memorializing three young men from Kapaa who had recently laid down their lives for their country in France. They were S/Sgt. Gordon Kenshi Yamashiro, son of Mr. and Mrs. Matsu Yamashiro; T/Sgt. Yoshio Minami, son of Mrs. Shogoro Minami and the late Mr. Minami; and Pvt. Iwao Takemoto, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hijoku Takemoto.

Having grown up together in Kapaa, fought together in Italy and France and having made the supreme sacrifice for their country within the same week, it seemed most fitting that they should be remembered together in this triple memorial service in their home church where they had often worshipped together.

WE TRAVEL THE ISLANDS

OAHU

Honor Pearl Harbor Heroes

The Bishop celebrated Holy Communion as a memorial for the men killed at Pearl Harbor on the 7th of December, 1941, in a mid-morning service at St. Andrew's Cathedral in which all the clergy of the Island took part and members of the congregations joined. The Rev. E. Tanner Brown, of St. Clement's Church, gave the address, which was most inspirational, as well as a great tribute to those who have made the supreme sacrifice. We hope this will be an annual Corporate Communion service honoring these men.

Gives Bond To Build Church

Deaconess Mary I. Potter, a former resident of Honolulu, has sent the Reverend James S. Nakamura of the Good Samaritan Church a \$25.00 bond for a Christmas gift, in the hope that it will enlarge the fund for speeding the building of a new Church. It was a most thoughtful and appreciated gift.

Goes to Maui for Services

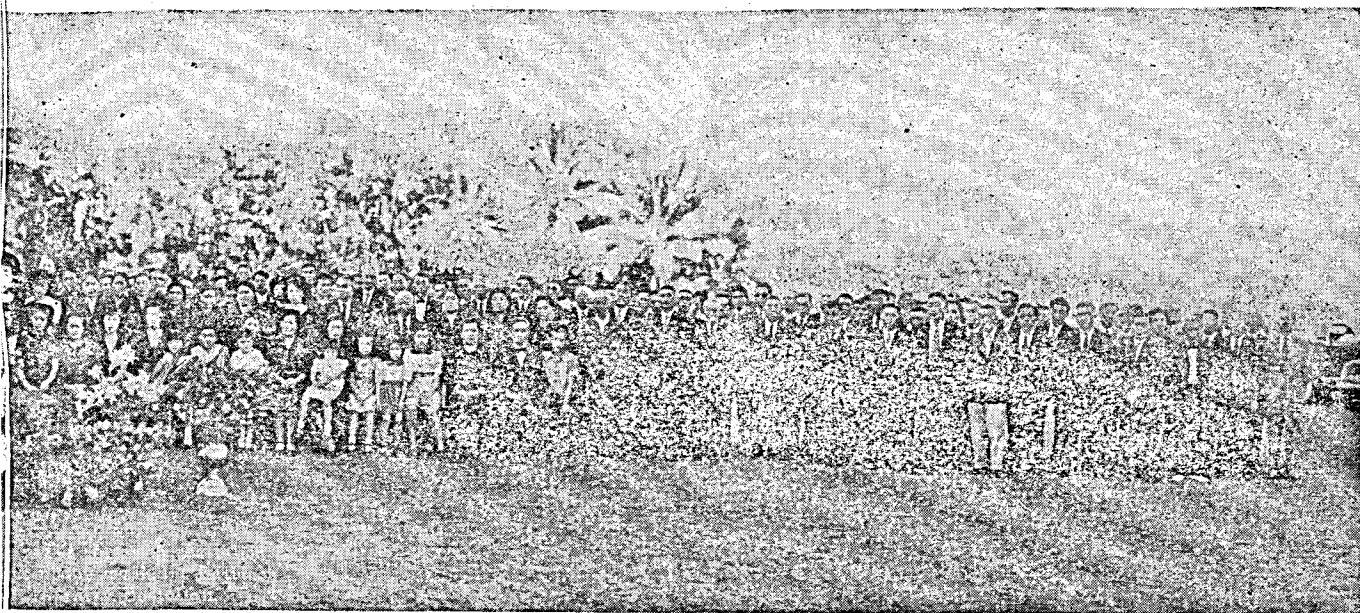
The Rev. Robert L. Stevenson went to Maui on December 22nd to conduct Christmas services for the Church of the Good Shepherd, Wailuku, and St. John's Mission, Kula. We are sure that it meant much to

the people in the parishes to have him there for the Christmas services.

Directs Pageant

All of the community of Kaimuki joined in presenting a nativity pageant, directed by Mrs. Hollis Corey, wife of the rector of Epiphany Church, Honolulu. There was an estimated crowd of 3000 in attendance. The choir was that of the Mormon Church; the actors from the Girls Scout troops. Shining above all was a mother of pearl star that had been brought from Palestine by the Rev. and Mrs. Corey. The pageant was not only beautifully portrayed, but had a significant meaning to those of Kaimuki, for the corporate act of doing together a project of so lovely a nature made a bond between these people, regardless of faith or race.

The Rev. Mr. Corey reports a busy two months, with Thanksgiving starting the ball rolling. At that time many lovely gifts of food were brought to the Harvest Thanksgiving service and in turn presented to St. Mary's Children's Home. The Christmas season was busy with preparations for the pageant and Christmas parties for the children, ending with a dinner for those participating in the pageant and forty men from a nearby military hospital. They ended the year with more baptisms and confirmations than in previous years and their Every Member Canvass more than exceeded the demands of their budget. All



IAL SERVICE

The service was conducted by the Rt. Rev. Harry S. Kennedy, Bishop of Honolulu, assisted by the Rev. Andrew N. Otani and the Ven. Henry A. Willey. Addresses were made by Major Robert Snyder of the U. S. Army, the Rev. Mr. Otani and Bishop Kennedy. Musical portions of the service were rendered by the vested choir of All Saints' with Mr. Shigeo Iwai as crucifer and Mr. Richard Wong as flag bearer. Floral decorations and the great number of wreaths and designs sent by a host of friends and filling the front cross aisle of the church were taken care of by Miss Caroline Albao.

The church and the porch around it were crowded with relatives and friends; and folding chairs were arranged on the lawn around three sides of the church. However, it is likely that more people were standing throughout the service than could be provided with seats.

totalled to a successful conclusion for a hard, but satisfying year.

We Like the Reports

Our clergy have reported that their Every Member Canvasses this year have been most successful. It has been wonderful to know that there is an increased interest in the welfare of our Church. May this interest continue and enable our churches to go forward in the work that lies ahead.

Have Christmas Communion Service

The Bishop went to Wahiawa Sunday, December 24th, for a Holy Communion service. The Baptist Church was good enough to let our members in this community have their church for this service. Some 32 were in attendance. We sincerely hope that our members in this community can soon have a place where it will be possible to hold regular services. This is a good beginning for them and we wish to see that a church is soon established there.

National Council Approves Building Fund

The National Council has approved an appropriation of \$6000.00 toward the construction of a rectory for Holy Trinity Church, Honolulu. This is in keeping with the new policy adopted by National Council to try to help with the erection of rectories where rent is being paid by the Council. As Holy Trinity parish has not had a rectory it has been necessary for National Council to provide a rental allowance.

The congregation now is expected to raise the balance of 3 to 4 thousand dollars before the amount from New York is received. Holy Trinity Church, as well as the District, are most grateful to National Council for this help. It is, by the way, the first Church to receive such help since the adoption of this new policy.

Christmas Eve Midnight Services

That heavy hearts turn to the Church for help in hours of need was particularly proven at the Christmas services. All churches in Honolulu reported that their midnight services were filled to capacity, with people kneeling in available places outside the churches. On Christmas Day the churches were filled with communicants. It was most evident that the Christmas Communion meant much to all who attended the services.

KAUAI

"Somewhere in the Pacific"

The Rev. and Mrs. Baker have received a letter that tells just what the Church means to some who are making our Churches their abode while stationed in the Pacific: I want to thank you for the gracious hospitality accorded me in your home during my past visits to St. John's and I want to commend you for the work that you are doing here on Kauai. It is often difficult for the people back home to realize what is being done by the Church overseas. Through the good offices of you and Mr. Willey and others

like you, there are many of us who have seen for ourselves the noble, constructive Christian endeavor that is being put forth in the mission field.

The end of the war and our return home will find us giving you hearty support from where that support should originate—in the parish vestry of a thousand Episcopal churches from one end of the country to the other."

Young People Form Group

The young people on Kauai have organized a Fellowship and are forging ahead with plans for the coming year. New officers elected were: President, George Hiyane; Vice-President, Harvey Kimura; Secretary, Marian Takenouchi, and Treasurer, Allan Shak. The officers of the Fellowship form a committee in drafting a constitution and hope to present it at a January 7th dinner meeting. They had about thirty in their Christmas Carol group, who visited the Samuel Mahelona Hospital in Kapaa, the G. N. Wilcox Memorial Hospital in Lihue and Archdeacon and Mrs. Willey on Christmas Eve. The evening was ended with light refreshments at the All Saint's Gymnasium.

HAWAII

The Alters are "Received"

Holy Apostle's Church, Hilo, introduced their new rector and his family to the community at a reception given at the Y.W.C.A. The Guild and Vestry under the direction of Mrs. H. W. Ludloff, combined forces to arrange the party. Contributions toward the success of the event were received from practically every member of the congregation.

Mrs. L. A. Weight and Mrs. Milburn Gregory, assisted by Mrs. Ezra May, Miss Kathleen Arnold, Mrs. W. A. McLean and Mrs. E. H. Edwards, were responsible for the elaborate refreshments. Presiding at the very attractive tables were: Mesdames F. M. Wakefield, R. W. Pellow, T. E. Cook, E. H. Edwards and Luigi Giacometti. In the receiving line were Mrs. Masao Kubo, Miss Ruby Scott, Mrs. Lorna Desha, Mrs. C. C. Tong, Mrs. H. B. Yuen, and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Beers.

A four-piece Hawaiian orchestra entertained the several hundred guests during the entire afternoon. New to Island hospitality, the occasion was one that will remain long in the memories of the Alters.

Active in Community Life

The Reverend Mr. Alter was preacher for the union service in Hilo on Thanksgiving Day, which was held at the First Foreign Church. He has also been guest speaker at many community affairs.

MOLOKAI

Christmas Cheer

Came to many of us in the letter written so cleverly and entertainingly by Mrs. Gwendolyn Shaw. Because we haven't space we must give you only excerpts from this, but want you to know how very much alive Shingle Memorial Hospital is. We print from Mrs. Shaw's letter:

My dear Friends:

Here I am again to try and tell you our hospital news for the past year.

To me, personally, the one biggest event is the lifting of the black out. In later years if anyone were to ask me what was the aspect I disliked most about the war, the answer would not be food or the scarcity of things in general or the various and sundry restrictions, but the blackout.

This Christmas we are again going to be able to light our beautiful Norfolk Island pine on the hospital lawn. It used to be such fun for a week before Christmas until after New Year's Day—our tree would be gay with varicolored lights bobbing up and down in the wind. The Hawaiian Homesteaders and folks from further afield would come to see it, as it is the only outside Christmas decoration on the entire island. We have missed it sorely since 1941 and now recently we hear that blackout restrictions have been lifted in England and Germany, so the lights are going on again all over the world!

We have suffered this past year with the worst drought we've had in years. Months and months went by with not one drop of rain. This entire area was restricted to two hours on and three days off, two hours on and three days off for weeks, and you can imagine the acute discomfort undergone. Fortunately the hospital has an emergency tank and it was only entirely empty for two days, when water had to be hauled, but believe me that was long enough.

You may remember Vickie, the goat, I mentioned in last year's letter. He is no longer with us except in spirit. He served us with many a delicious meal, but we felt like cannibals while we ate him, as he had developed such cute playful tricks and we had become too fond of him. That is the trouble with our animals, the minute one fastens a name on them, they acquire a personality and we feel like brutes when they have to be killed and eaten. It is hard to be practical and carry out the program of which they are a part.

Susie Q's children have, all but one, followed Vickie's fate or, shall I say, fulfilled their destiny. Somehow "destiny" sounds less sinister than "fate."

Polka Dot, Susie Q's sister is still with us, each weighing around 350 to 400 pounds. They are huge and as gentle as kittens—though Polka Dot has a distinct mind of her own when you want her to go in any direction contrary to her wishes.

The rabbits have done famously and many an enjoyable meal have we had from the numerous young ones. My huge pure white Anzac and gray John are patriarchs of the clan and the mothers are Hula Girl (short for Hapa Haole Hula Girl as she's part white and part dark!) Martha Washington (born on Martha Washington's birthday) and Elsa and Elizabeth.

Alberta, the cow, is an attractive, coy young lady now, who comes galloping from any part of the pasture on call. She is very tame and loves nothing better than to be allowed to lick the back of one's hand with her sandpaper-like tongue.

Now I want to make you better acquainted with our staff. Mary A. Adamek, R.N. is off duty on several

months enforced sick leave just now; Nancy Ross Colquhoun, R.N. of Mankato, Minnesota, is still here as is also Hettie Perkins of Chapel Hill, N. C. A new member whom you did not meet last year is Charlotte Mathewson, R.N. of Boston, Massachusetts, who replaced Alba Taylor who was here when I wrote you before.

My old stand-bys of faithful attendants are still with me as follows: Ida Poopaa, Hawaiian; Helen Kalama, Hawaiian; Ah Moy Tengan, Chinese-Hawaiian; Bertha Makekau, Korean; Tilden Makaiwi, Hawaiian; and Gussie Joao, Hawaiian. All here when I wrote you last year and all have been regular and faithful in their duties.

We are short of help in the grounds, having only my one old deaf and dumb Hawaiian, faithful Haaheo Keaupuni, who has been with me five years. He is about 68 now—no one knows his age exactly. He was born with speech and hearing, but when eight years old fell out of a mango tree (a very common cause of deformities of one kind and another in the territory) and had his skull fractured so badly that although recovered, his centers of speech and hearing were destroyed. He is without doubt one of the hardest workers I have ever seen. I think, probably, the fact that he is free from distractions makes him concentrate 100% on his job. He is a good carpenter also and helps me out on many a project.

For the rest of the staff, I have two Filipino boys, Norberto and Osmundo, in the laundry, Juan and Enrique, floor and tray boys, Choy, the Korean cook, Johnny Cabel, cook's helper and Abraham Makekau, a Hawaiian youth, who is the husband of Bertha Makekau, mentioned above.

Miss Mabel Catlin, our bookkeeper, continues tying her brain up in knots relieving me of that torture in connection with the withholding, etc., etc., etc., taxes and posting of bills and other kindred disagreeable mathematical problems which to me are the worst phase of hospital administration.

The resume of the hospital staff is incomplete without mention of Stanley Sakai, our laboratory and X-ray technician, who put in eleven years of faithful conscientious and expert work in all departments. "Ask Stanley" or "Stanley knows" is not only a hospital, but an island-wide by-word.

We hear so much on all sides of post war plans, I am going to tell you of ours. We have a little chapel (Holy Cross) in connection with our hospital. It is at present part of the Attendant nurses' home, not the best arrangement, and long since insufficient from any view point. There is now a building on our property connected by a ramp and quite perfect with some remodelling for our much needed new chapel, as it will be accessible to wheel chair cases as well as to the homesteaders at large for Easter Union Sunrise Service and the various other occasions that we use it for the community at large.

With sincere Aloha from the entire staff at Shingle Memorial Hospital to you, our friends, and with the heartiest of the season's greetings.

ARMY AND NAVY WORK GOING FORWARD



THE REVEREND GORDON REESE

Under the guidance of the Reverend Gordon Reese the work with the men and women in service, and especially with those who make St. Andrew's Cathedral their home, is taking a definite step forward. He is here under the direction of the Army and Navy Commission of the Episcopal Church and is making a tour of all the islands, in addition to his work in Honolulu, spreading the work planned for those in service. We are delighted to have him here to take over this important phase of our Church's work.

A PRAYER SELDOM HEARD

From The Detroit Daily News

Almighty God, as I sit here by the fire this lovely Sunday morning, surrounded by the Sunday paper and half listening to one of the big preachers over the radio, it has just come to me that I have lied to Thee and to myself.

I said I did not feel well enough to go to Church. That was not true. I was not ambitious enough. I would have gone to my office had it been Monday morning. I would have played golf had it been Wednesday afternoon in the summer. I would have attended my luncheon club had it met this noon. I would have been able to go to a picture show if it had been Friday night.

But it is Sunday morning, and Sunday illness covers a multitude of sins. God have mercy on me! I have lied to Thee and myself. I was not ill—I am lazy and indifferent. Amen.

The best of men and the most earnest workers will make enough mistakes to make them humble. Thank God for mistakes and take courage. Don't give up on account of mistakes.—Dwight L. Moody.

THE RELIGIOUS LIFE

By Sister Catherine, C.T.

In one of the great terminals of this country, a tiny girl stood with her mother, awaiting the arrival of a guest. Among the passers-by were two black robed nuns, who instantly attracted the child's attention. "Oh! Mother," she cried, "what are they? Are they queens?" And her mother replied, "Yes, but they are queens of a far country, and they belong to Christ. We call them nuns or Sisters, for you see they are everybody's Sisters."

And who is not a queen who has been called to be the Bride of the Eternal Bridegroom? From every station of life they have been chosen, and as queens, they are the servants of all; and because they are truly the Brides of Christ, they eagerly serve His children in the world.

THE CALL

It is our Lord Who comes to the secret garden of the listening soul, and calls to a life of dedication to Him. It is the Bridegroom Who says, "Give Me thine heart." Whether it come early or late, the call is unmistakable, and blessed is that soul who answers "Yes."

There is no claim that the Religious life is the only one of self-oblation when one remembers the countless women who have given themselves in consecrated work for others—missionaries, nurses, teachers, an older sister, perhaps, who has stepped aside that a younger child may have advantages not possible for both. These people are truly hidden saints. Add to these, the soul longing to give herself to the Religious aside. How thankful she should be who meets no obstacles in answering God's call!

THE RESPONSE

"I will run the way of Thy Commandments when Thou hast set my heart at liberty," says the psalmist. And the heart is at liberty when our answer has finally been given.

The answer takes practical form in considering the words of the various Communities of the Church. Some Orders devote themselves to the care and education of children, some work in various parishes throughout the country, while others care for the bodies as well as the souls of the sick. One's natural interests should be guides in applying to an Order, and it is always well to ask direction from a priest. One writes to the Rev. Mother Superior of the Convent selected, and asks for the privilege of trying vocation to the Religious Life. Then the Superior invites the applicant to the Mother House for a visit of a fortnight or more. (The length of time both for visiting and for the Novitiate varies with each Order.)

If at the end of a given period, the applicant is found acceptable, she will be received as a postulant. This admits her to the home life of the Novices and Sisters, and she has from six months to a year to be observed and to make her own adjustment. She is given a Book of the Rule and a Breviary. These, with

the Holy Bible, make her text books for the time of probation.

She comes under the direct supervision of the Mistress of Novices, to whom she turns for help, spiritual and material. Her life is enclosed so far as may be within the Convent walls, and her interests naturally becomes identified with those of the Community of which she hopes to become a permanent member. Correspondence is supervised and limited. The spending of personal funds is done only with permission. Social visiting is not allowed, having little place in a nun's life. These days of training are an introduction to the life of the Novitiate.

WORK

It is often said that good works can be done outside the Convent, and that people can be just as devout at home. Quite true. But if a nun's life were one in which work proved the dominant factor, it would miss its real objective. The Religious Vocation is to a life—not to a work. It must be borne in mind that all we do has but one intention—the Glory of God. What we do or where we do it does not matter, for we try to dwell in His Presence wherever we are. All work is honorable or dishonorable only as we make it so. As Michael Wood so simply puts it, "There is no high nor low in the work God gives us to do." This must be the keynote of a nun's life.

We must always remember that some have ten talents and others five. Even the one talent may doubly increase if completely offered. Superiors in assigning duties try to use special talents and abilities to the greater glory of God, and the best advantage of the Community. Whether it be teaching, cooking, writing, scrubbing children—or floors, taking care of the sick, work of whatever kind—while there may be a difference in the sort of work one does, there can be no variation in its quality and intention. Much or little, all is done for the Master of all good workmen.

THE NOVITIATE

Once, a small child was explaining to a newly received postulant the various steps leading to Profession. Said she, "First, you're a lady, then you're a 'possum, then you're a Novice, and then you're a Real Sister, and after you're a Sister you can never be a lady any more." The postulant was rather aghast until she was illuminated on the child's point of view in the evolution of a Nun.

So when the postulant looks forward to her election and Clothing as a Novice, she is secretly hoping never to be a lady any more, but to be the real and living interpretation of that lovely but much abused work, a loaf-giver to all whom she meets throughout her life in Religion.

THE VOWS

At her Clothing, a postulant receives the Religious Habit, and takes upon herself the three Vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience for the term of her novitiate. She turns her back on what have heretofore been the legitimate interests of ordinary life. Her aim, henceforth is towards that goal of

perfection which can only be reached in a life lived close to our Lord.

THE LIFE OF THE COUNSELS OF PERFECTION

The desire for perfection is as old as man. Perfection itself was attained but once, and that in the Humanity of our Blessed Lord. Ever the great Model for those called to live consecrated entirely to His service, He blessed and encouraged family life, yet Himself lived these three Counsels.

POVERTY. The Son of Man hath not where to lay His Head." "Sell all that thou hast and follow Me." To have all things in common was one of the practices of the early Church, and for that reason it commends itself instantly to those who would tread in the steps of our Lord and His saints. A common fund impartially shared supplies the common needs of the household, at the discretion of the Superior. Sharing like this does not necessarily imply want or penury or destitution, except as it requires us to relinquish the privilege and choice of spending what we had hitherto considered our own. The meaning of material poverty is being poor in this world's goods, and as we think of Christ's words when He sent forth the twelve, "Take not two coats," we realize that poverty is being poor, and a nun should be poor.

But there is a deeper meaning to this. The spiritual side of Poverty claims the entire relinquishment of our wills. This means yielding to others, except in matters of principle. "To have no will but His Will," is the essence of Holy Poverty. Father Huntington of blessed memory says, "A religious does not want them. He ought to want a million, and then, at the call of God, relinquish everything." "We are ever to find our wealth and satisfaction in the Divine Love."

CHASTITY. The call to the virgin life comes from Him Who set men and women the example of His own Virgin Life. As Mother Eva Mary rightly says, "Virginity in itself is no particular virtue, but only when offered to Him, the King of Virgins." And it must be given eagerly and gladly in His service. Its deeper implication is that singleness of purpose and purity of intention that can only come from a soul set free from pride and self-consideration. It is an innate quality, which the world cannot sully, and which, if once lost or clouded, needs many penitent tears and acts of humiliation to regain. The clear, straight gaze of a child mirrors that detached purity and simplicity so dear to our Lord's Heart. But that gaze is the innocence of inexperience. Real innocence must not be confounded with ignorance. It is rather a freedom from the world's soiled fingers. So may the soul coming at the call of the Master, ever remain in that state of purity, sincerity and humility. Let her be as a mirror, reflecting her Bridegroom's Beauty and Love.

OBEDIENCE. "Wist ye not that I must be about My Father's business?" "And became obedient unto them." "My meat is to do the Will of My Father."

Perhaps you think it is easy to put aside your own judgment in any matter, big or little? Well, it isn't. For that reason, obedience sometimes leads in the

virtues of a Religious. To have no will but God's Will, and that expressed in the decisions of Superiors; to drop a cherished work for something that seems hum-drum, perhaps, or even of little importance; to put on one side personal likes and innate tastes so that no one may suspect work or surroundings to be distasteful. All this, with much more, comes under the Vow of Obedience. To have another choose your reading for you; to eat whatever may be set before you with an honestly thankful heart, whether the food is to you liking or not. These are sure tests of Religious Obedience, and can only be carried out in the right spirit if one's will be directed to a real and glad submission to Christ in the person of the Superior. And it must be a cheerful spirit in which obedience is given, for when we find our little bargues in the waters of discontent, it is a fairly safe guess that we have changed our Helmsman and are off our course.

LIFE PROFESSION

As the Novice comes to the close of her probation, she must ask her self whether or not she is willing to assume these three Vows, with all they imply, for life. She is free to return to her former life, if she feels she cannot meet the obligation of perpetual vows.

But if our Lord is her First and Last Love, there is no question about the answer. A hard life? Yes, often. A busy life? Always. A joyful one? Yes, and happy beyond thinking, for that life is given, with its best, its poorest, its weaknesses and faults—but all of it—to make the dowry for the Heavenly Bridegroom.

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